



Agenda

Special Committee on Housing Policy

Dan Fowler, Chair
Brandon Ellington, Vice Chair
Kevin O'Neill
Parks-Shaw Ryana
Quinton Lucas

Tuesday, November 9, 2021

4:00 PM

26th Floor, Council Chamber

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Attachments: [No Fact Sheet](#)

HELD IN COMMITTEE

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

1. Housing and Community Development Department will have a presentation on the draft 2022-2026 – 5 Year Consolidated Plan/2022 Annual Action Plan for the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)

2. There may be a general discussion regarding current Special Committee on Housing Policy issues.

3. Closed Session

- Pursuant to Section 610.021 subsection 1 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri to discuss legal matters, litigation, or privileged communications with attorneys;
- Pursuant to Section 610.021 subsection 2 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri to discuss real estate;
- Pursuant to Section 610.021 subsections 3 and 13 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri to discuss personnel matters;
- Pursuant to Section 610.021 subsection 9 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri to discuss employee labor negotiations;
- Pursuant to Section 610.021 subsection 11 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri to discuss specifications for competitive bidding;
- Pursuant to Section 610.021 subsection 12 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri to discuss sealed bids or proposals; or
- Pursuant to Section 610.021 subsection 17 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri to discuss confidential or privileged communications with auditors.

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Adjournment



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ORDINANCE NO. 211017

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WHEREAS, over the past few decades, housing costs have risen faster than incomes, driving more and more families and individuals into houselessness; and

WHEREAS, over the past two years, the COVID-19 pandemic has accelerated the impact of job and income loss, driving additional families and individuals into homelessness at an ever- increasing rate; and

WHEREAS, current efforts to respond to this increased demand for shelter, food, medical and other services in support of the houseless population, although well-intended and helpful in the moment, have not provided an ongoing or long-term solution; and

WHEREAS, the City issued a request for proposals (RFP) seeking proposals from qualified respondents for the creation of new housing solutions that provide temporary, transitional, and permanent housing options for residents that are houseless and/or at the lowest income levels; and

WHEREAS, Lotus Care House submitted a proposal to convert single room occupancy hotel transition into permanent supportive and transitional housing to serve 100 houseless individuals, including families, and to provide wraparound support services; and

WHEREAS, the City has selected this proposal who provided a unique way of helping the City take the next steps in addressing houselessness; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KANSAS CITY THAT:

Section 1. The Director of Housing and Community Development is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with Lotus Care House in the amount of \$1,300,000.00 from funds previously appropriated in Account No. 22-1000-552037-B to convert a single-room occupancy hotel into permanent and/or transitional housing to

serve 100 houseless individuals, including families, and to provide wraparound support services.

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I hereby certify that there is a balance, otherwise unencumbered, to the credit of the appropriation to which the foregoing expenditure is to be charged, and a cash balance, otherwise unencumbered, in the treasury, to the credit of the fund from which payment is to be made, each sufficient to meet the obligation hereby incurred.

*Tammy L. Queen
Director of Finance*

Approved as to form and legality:

*Joseph Guarino
Assistant City Attorney*

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